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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re Application of:

ELLIS, Robert Lynn

Application No: 10/036,339

Filed: December 26, 2001

For: METHOD AND APPARATUS
FOR PROCESSING CASH
PAYMENTS FOR ELECTRONIC
AND INTERNET TRANSACTIONS

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REQUEST FOR WITHDRAWAL AS ATTORNEY OR AGENT

The following practitioner,

William D. Davis, Reg. No. 38,428

and all practitioners associated with customer number 22503 respectfully request approval for withdrawal as agent or attorney for the above-referenced matter.

This request for withdrawal is made pursuant to 37 CFR § 10.40(c)(1)(iv) and (v). The undersigned submits that the client has failed to pay one or more bills rendered by the practitioner for an unreasonable period of time.

Despite several assurances, the client has failed to pay invoices in the amount of \$6,528.85 for services rendered in conjunction with preparing and filing the application and related applications on December 24, 25, and 26th, 2001 (over eight months ago). The client has been notified in writing by letter, email, and facsimile, as well as through telephonic verbal communication on several occasions regarding payment.

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The undersigned submits that the client has been given ample opportunity to make full or partial payment or to make payment arrangements. Despite assurances from the client, no payment has been made in full or part for services rendered nor have any payment arrangements been made.

The assignee-apparent and the inventor have each been formally notified by certified letter dated September 2, 2002 of the termination and consequences. To the best of the undersigned's knowledge, there is no pending action for the above-referenced matter.

The undersigned submits reasonable steps have been taken to avoid foreseeable prejudice to the rights of the client including giving reasonable time to cure the problem, giving due notice of withdrawal, and providing ample time for the client to find alternative counsel. Moreover, the undersigned anticipates that litigation to recover fees is inevitable such that the client and the undersigned will soon become adverse parties and the basis for withdrawal will become mandatory rather than permissive.

Upon granting of this request to withdraw, subsequent communications regarding this application should be directed to the following correspondence address:

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Respectfully submitted,
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